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In re Application of:

Christopher P. Zura, Robert Stout
Jonathan Guthrie, and Chris Duhon

§ Appl'n. Serial No. 10/036,656

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
FUEL ADDITIVE DISPENSING.

§ Filed: December 21, 2001

§ Group Art Unit: unassigned

§ Examiner unassigned

Atty Dkt: 23555-P011US

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Date

Hugh R. Kress

Signature

Printed Name

HUGH R. KRESS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 5, 2002 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This paper is submitted as a supplement to an April 2, 2002 Response to a February 5, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of the above-referenced nonprovisional application ("the Response"). No fees are believed to be due in connection with this submission. However, if any fees are determined to be due, the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, and/or the Director of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office are authorized to charge Winstead Sechrest & Minick Deposit Account No 23-2426, referencing attorney docket number 23555-P011US.

REMARKS

Having submitted a Response to the February 5, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, the undersigned attorney for Assignee received a Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) dated April 10, 2002, which Notice is believed to have been issued in error. The undersigned gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of R.C.Tang, in the Office

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of Petitions, for her clarification of the circumstances underlying the apparent erroneous issuance of the aforementioned Notice of Incomplete Reply, and, in advance, for her consideration of this submission.

The undersigned hereby clarifies that, accompanying the Declarations forwarded to each of the non-signing inventors as noted in the Response were complete copies of the subject patent application, including the specification, claims, and drawings.

It is thus believed that the Response was not incomplete, and withdrawal of the April 10, 2002 Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) received by the undersigned on April 16, 2002 is hereby requested. Further, it is requested that the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 submitted on April 2, 2002 in connection with the subject application be granted, such that the application may advance to examination and issuance at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 5-JUN-2002



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Re: U.S. Patent Application S.N. 10/036,656

Dear Ms. Tang:

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me today about the above referenced application.

I attach the following documents:

- Notice of Incomplete Reply dated April 10, 2002
- Response to February 5, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, submitted April 2, 2002
- Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 submitted 1.47

As mentioned on the phone, we believe that the Notice of Incomplete Reply was issued in error.

You will find that accompanying the above-referenced Petition were various papers substantiating the basis therefor, and that accompanying the above-referenced Response were Inventor Declarations executed by two of the four named inventors.

Kindly advise if anything further is required to avoid the abandonment of the application mentioned in the Notice of Incomplete Reply.

Very truly yours,


Hugh R. Kress

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attachments: as noted

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04/02/02 

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Laura L. Nichols

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RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 5, 2002 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

This paper is submitted in Response to a February 5, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of the above-referenced nonprovisional application ("the Notice") and is accompanied by a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 and associated payment of the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.47 and 1.17(i), as well as the payment of the late other or declaration surcharge due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16(l). Also accompanying this Response are Assignments of the Invention executed on behalf of the inventors, along with the requisite Assignment Cover Sheet and associated fee payment for Recordation of the Assignment. If any other fees are determined to be due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, and/or the Director of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office are authorized to charge Winstead Sechrest & Minick Deposit Account No. 23-2426, referencing attorney docket number 23555-P011US.

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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILED/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/036,656	12/21/2001	Christopher P. Zura	23553-PO11US

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Date Mailed. 04/10/2002

NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)***Filing Date Granted***

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 04/02/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 02/06/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- The oath or declaration is missing.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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REMARKS

The Notice requires a properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.63. As detailed fully in the accompanying Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47, the Assignee is unable to comply with such requirement, due to the refusal of one inventor to sign a Declaration and the inability, despite diligent effort to reach a second inventor. Grant of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 is respectfully requested, such that the application can be prosecuted by Assignee on behalf of and as agent for the inventors.

The Notice also requires substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. Formal drawings for this application are being submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover addressed to the Official Draftsperson of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. An extra copy of the formal drawings is attached hereto for reference.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the application is now in proper form and condition for allowance. Examination of application and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested, such that the application can advance to issue at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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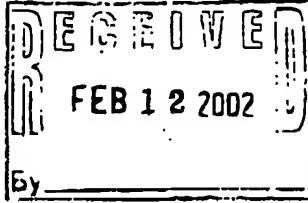


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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Att'y Dkt 23555-P011USDECLARATION

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the ~~below~~ INVENTIONS OFFICE named inventors are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FUEL ADDITIVE DISPENSING**, the Specification of which:



is attached hereto.



was filed on December 21, 2001 as Application Serial No. 10/036,656

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby direct that all correspondence and telephone calls be addressed to Hugh R. Kress, Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C., 2400 Bank One Center, 910 Travis Street, Houston, Texas 77002.

I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Inventor's Full Name:

Jonathan

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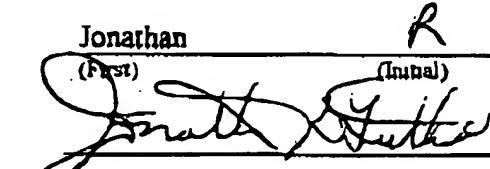
Guthrie

(First)

(Initial)

(Last)

Inventor's Signature:



Date:

28 March 2002

Country of Citizenship:

U.S.A.

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(include number, street name, city, state, and country)

Houston, Texas 77088

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(if different from residence address)

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Inventor's Full Name: Christopher P. Zura
(First) (Initial) (Last)

Inventor's Signature: Christopher P. Dunn

Date: 3/18/2002

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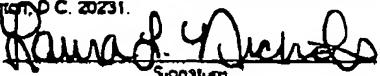
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Washington, DC 20231PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47

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Sir:

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As noted in the Response, Inventor Declarations from two of the four inventors named in the subject application could not be obtained, after diligent effort to that end.

The facts are as follows:

- This application ("the '656 application") is a continuation-in-part of prior U.S. parent application S.N. 09/502,899 filed on February 11, 2000 ("the '899 application"). The

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'899 application named three inventors: Robert Stout, Jonathan Guthrie, and Chris Duhon. The '656 application names the same three inventors as the '899 application, and names one additional inventor, Christopher P. Zura.

- The '899 application was assigned to Additech, Inc. ("Assignee"), which was the inventors' employer at the time of filing of the '899 application. The Assignment was recorded at Reel 010604, Frame 0510 on February 11, 2000. The Notice of Recordation of Assignment of the '899 application is attached hereto as Attachment A.
- Inventor Christopher P. Zura has executed an Assignment of the '656 application to Assignee ("the Zura Assignment"); the Zura Assignment is submitted for recordation concurrently with this Petition and the accompanying Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application.
- In the intervening period between the filing of the '899 application and the filing of the present application, two of the inventors named in the '899 application, Robert Stout and Chris Duhon, left the employ of Assignee.
- On March 13, 2002, the undersigned attorney for Assignee forwarded by overnight delivery (Federal Express) a Declaration to be signed by Robert Stout ("the Stout Declaration"). Copies of the unsigned Stout Declaration and accompanying cover letter are attached hereto as Attachment B.
- On March 19, 2002, Mr. Stout telephoned the undersigned to advise that he (Mr. Stout) had "no intention whatsoever" of signing the Stout Declaration, that he "just won't sign it." Mr. Stout indicated that his departure from the employ of Assignee did not occur on good terms, and that "words could not express [his] level of contempt" for Assignee's president and others employed by Assignee. Thus, it is believed that Mr. Stout constitutes an inventor who "refuses to sign" for the purposes of 37 C.F.R. § 1.47
- Also on March 13, 2002, the undersigned attorney for Assignee forwarded by overnight delivery (Federal Express) a Declaration to be signed by Chris Duhon ("the

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Duhon Declaration"). The Duhon Declaration was addressed to the last address of Chris Duhon known to the Assignee: 1555 W. Sam Houston Parkway North, Houston, Texas 77043. Copies of the unsigned Duhon Declaration and accompanying cover letter are attached hereto as Attachment C.

- The undersigned elected delivery of the Duhon Declaration by Federal Express specifically because of the ability to track the shipping activity of Federal Express deliveries; this ability was deemed desirable due to uncertainty as to the validity of Mr. Duhon's address.
- A Federal Express shipping tracking report shows that the package containing the Duhon Declaration was delivered to the address noted above, and was signed for by one "K. Benel," at 8:45AM on March 14, 2002. A copy of this shipping tracking report is attached hereto as Attachment D.
- As of the date of this Petition, neither the undersigned nor Assignee has received a response of any kind from Mr. Duhon. Assignee advises the undersigned that Mr. Duhon's departure from the employ of Assignee, like Mr. Stout's departure, did not occur on the best of terms. Subsequent to Mr. Duhon's departure, Assignee has heard third-party reports that Mr. Duhon had relocated to an employer in Europe, although the truth of such reports cannot be verified. In any event, since Mr. Duhon's departure, no one associated with Assignee has had any contact with Mr. Duhon. Neither the Assignee nor the undersigned have any other information which could be used to contact Mr. Duhon. In view of Mr. Duhon's failure to respond to the March 13 delivery, it is believed that Mr. Duhon constitutes an inventor who "cannot be reached" pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47.

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47

In view of the foregoing facts, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.47, acceptance of the signed Declarations of Inventors Christopher Zura and Jonathan Guthrie is hereby requested, such that the application can be prosecuted by Assignee "on behalf of and as agent for all inventors" as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.47.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1 - APR - 2002

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ASSIGNEE:
STOUT, ROBERT

DOC DATE: 02/10/2000

ASSIGNEE:
GUTHRIE, JONATHAN

DOC DATE: 02/10/2000

*FAX RECEIVED*ASSIGNEE:
DUHON, CHRIS

DOC DATE: 02/08/2000

*JUN - 5 2002*ASSIGNEE:
ADDITECH, INC.
10620 ROCKLEY ROAD
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77099*PETITIONS OFFICE*SERIAL NUMBER: 09502899
PATENT NUMBER:FILING DATE: 02/11/2000
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1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Robert Stout
Jonathan Guthrie
Chris Duhon

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

Assignment
 Security Agreement
 Other

Merger
 Change of Name

Execution Date: 2/8/00; 2/10/00

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: Additech, Inc.

Intrafirm Address:

Street Address: 10620 Rockley Road

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77099

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: 2/8/00; 2/10/00

A. Patent Application No.(s):

B. Patent No(s):

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning documents should be mailed:

Name: Hugh R. Kress
Arnold, White & Durkee
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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 C.F.R. 3.41) \$ 40.00

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9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Hugh R. Kress

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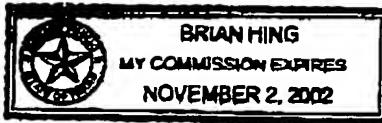
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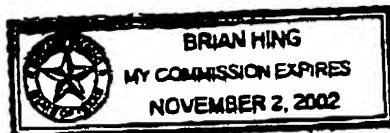
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Robert Stout
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Via Federal Express

Re: U.S. Patent Application S.N. 10/036,656
Title: "Method and Apparatus for Fuel Additive Dispensing"
Inventors: Robert Stout, Jonathan Guthrie, Chris Duhon,
and Christopher P. Zura
Filed: December 21, 2001

Dear Mr. Stout:

The above-referenced patent application was filed on behalf of Additech, Inc., on December 21, 2001. This application is a continuation of the prior application drafted prior to your departure from Additech; as such, you are named as an inventor, as you had been on the prior application.

We would be very grateful if you would execute the enclosed Inventors' Declaration, which is identical in substance to that which you executed in connection with the prior application. Upon execution, please return the document to me.

If you have any questions in this regard, please feel free to contact me directly. Otherwise, your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Best regards,



Hugh R. Kress

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DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the below named inventors are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FUEL ADDITIVE DISPENSING**, the Specification of which:



is attached hereto.



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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

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I hereby direct that all correspondence and telephone calls be addressed to Hugh R. Kress, Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C., 2400 Bank One Center, 910 Travis Street, Houston, Texas 77002.

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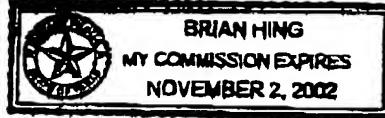
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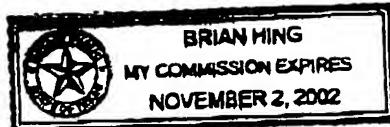
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Signature: Chris David Duhon Date: February 8, 2000
Name: Chris David Duhon

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Inventors: Robert Stoul, Jonathan Guthrie, Chris Duhon,
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Filed: December 21, 2001

Dear Chris:

The above-referenced patent application was filed on behalf of Additech, Inc., on December 21, 2001. This application is a continuation of the prior application drafted prior to your departure from Additech; as such, you are named as an inventor, as you had been on the prior application.

We would be very grateful if you would execute the enclosed Inventors' Declaration, which is identical in substance to that which you executed in connection with the prior application. Upon execution, please return the document to me.

If you have any questions in this regard, please feel free to contact me directly. Otherwise, your prompt attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Best regards,


Hugh R. Kress

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DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the below named inventors are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FUEL ADDITIVE DISPENSING**, the Specification of which:

is attached hereto.
 was filed on December 21, 2001 as Application Serial No. 10/036,656

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby direct that all correspondence and telephone calls be addressed to Hugh R. Kress, Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C., 2400 Bank One Center, 910 Travis Street, Houston, Texas 77002.

I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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